

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the paragraph (added previously) that begins "Figure 9 is" on page 5 with the following:

Figure 9a is a top plan view of an orientable non-woven loop material of the present invention prior to being oriented and secured to a backing substrate.

Figure 9b is a top plan view of the loop fastener of Fig. 8 with the loop material of Fig. 9a shown drawn to orient constituent fibers of the loop material in the direction of the extension, and secured to the backing substrate.

Please delete the paragraph at page 9, line 16 that begins "'Oriented material' refers to a material".

After the paragraph at page 9, line 11 that begins "'Necked material' refers to a material" please add the following new paragraph:

"Oriented nonwoven loop material" refers to a web comprising fibers or filaments that is formed other than by weaving or knitting. The fibers in the web have a generally random orientation except that more of the fibers are generally parallel to a direction corresponding to a direction of force previously applied to the web.

After the paragraph at page 27, line 8, that begins "Figure 6 schematically shows," please add the following new paragraph:

Figure 9a illustrates a non-woven material prior to the material being drawn and secured to a substrate such as the

substrate 92 of Fig. 8. Figure 9b illustrates the non-woven material following drawing (e.g., extension) thereof to orient fibers of the material in the direction of draw and securement of the material (e.g., material 90) to the substrate 92 as shown in Fig. 8.